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## School options 'a step forward'

### EDUCATION

### Final report would see new junior high, keep Oxford open



**Haley Ryan**  
Metro | Halifax

Oxford School would remain open but Highland Park Junior High would still close under the final recommendations for Halifax's north-end school review, which were posted online Thursday.

The report from the School Options Committee has now been posted on the Halifax Regional School Board (HRSB) website. Staff have a few weeks to create a technical report that will also come back before the board.

"I feel good about it. I think it takes a step forward," SOC chair Jon Frost said Thursday.

After three public meetings, the final recommendations suggest building a new junior high school that consolidates Grades 7 through 9 at Oxford School with Highland Park Junior High.

This would mean closing Highland

Park Junior High and changing Oxford into just a Primary through Grade 6 school, while also ensuring Oxford is included in a future review on south-end and west-end schools.

The committee also suggests major renovations to St. Joseph's-A.McKay Elementary, and minor renovations to Joseph Howe and St. Stephen's elementary schools.

In early June draft recommendations, the SOC had considered closing Oxford once the junior high kids were removed, which Frost said was the "big thing" they struggled with, since it would leave a small amount of kids in an under-utilized school.

However, Oxford is also a school for the west end, and those schools weren't involved in this process, Frost said.

"It's quite possible that school should be kept for the west end, and a different school possibly could close, or things could be moved around," Frost said.

After listening to Oxford parents, who in recent weeks have rallied outside the school with signs protesting the potential closure, the SOC decided to wait until all other reviews were finished in case the school could play a role in another area.

Wanda Robson speaks at Wednesday's unveiling of the new Halifax Transit ferry named for her sister.  
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## FUN THINGS TO DO ACROSS THE CITY THIS WEEKEND



**Haley Ryan**  
Metro | Halifax

From an outdoor family movie and Shakespeare, to fiddle music and Lebanese food, there's plenty to do in Halifax.



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### 1 Shakespeare by the Sea

Everybody's story is fun in the classic tale of love and power, *As You Like It*, but the "underlying message of truth, honesty and reconciliation" makes it a truly worthy evening. *Shakespeare by the Sea* opens its show on Friday at 7 p.m., followed by performances Saturday and Sunday at the Cambridge Battery in Point Pleasant Park, running until Sept. 3. Admission is general donation suggested at \$20, or \$25 if you'd like to reserve seats.



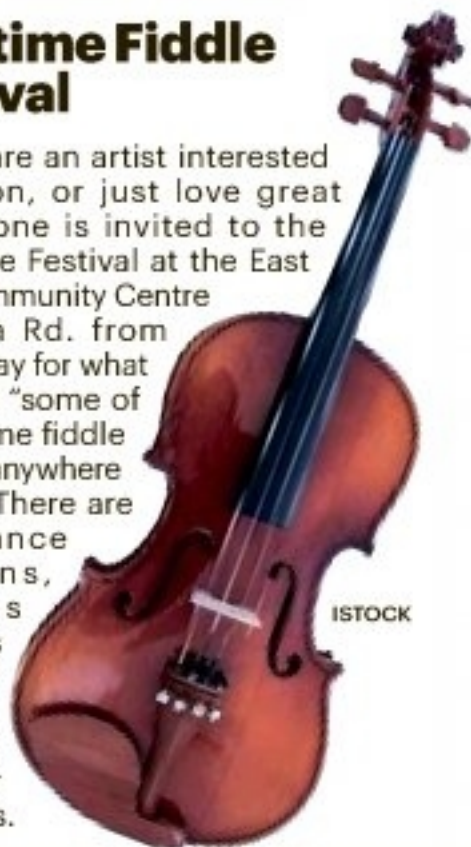
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### 4 Lebanese Festival

Great food, dance and music will be celebrated this weekend at the 15th annual Lebanese Festival, running Thursday to Sunday at the Olympic Community Centre on the corner of Windsor and Cunard streets. One can sample dishes like falafel, tabouli, hummus, grape leaves, plus coffee and baklava from the Al-Arz Cafe. There's also handcrafted work on display at the Artisan Gift Shop, and dabke dancing. Admission is free, and hours run 11 a.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday, and 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday.

### 2 Maritime Fiddle Festival

Whether you are an artist interested in competition, or just love great music, everyone is invited to the Maritime Fiddle Festival at the East Dartmouth Community Centre on Caledonia Rd. from Friday to Monday for what organizers call "some of the best old-time fiddle entertainment anywhere in the world." There are also step-dance competitions, workshops and events throughout Dartmouth. Day passes are \$5 or \$20 for evening events.



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### 3 Peggy's Cove art festival

Starting Thursday and running until July 17, the Peggy's Cove Area Festival of the Arts has something for art lovers and creators, hosted in an exceptional place that has inspired so many. The Paint Peggy's Cove event and plein air painting from Sunday to Tuesday will see people with easel in hand taking in the village scenery and crashing surf, and their finished creations are available for sale in a large yurt near the lighthouse.



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### 5 Dartmouth Dragons

Dartmouth Crossing will welcome a scaly guest Saturday night for the Atlantic Film Festival Outdoor Film Experience, when *How to Train Your Dragon* (98 minutes, rated PG) plays as part of this summer's Animated City event. The free movie begins at dusk in the Pondsides Amphitheatre at Hector Gate, and gates open an hour before the screening. Get ready for fire-breathing adventure, and check for weather updates and cancellations by visiting [atlanticfilm.com](http://atlanticfilm.com).



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## NOVA CENTRE CONSTRUCTION

## Sixth business joins compensation fight

**Ben Jamieson**  
For Metro | Halifax

A sixth Halifax business has joined a growing group of those seeking compensation over Nova Centre construction.

Indochine Banh Mi restaurant joins the Wooden Monkey, the Carleton Bar and Grill, The Economy Shoe Shop, Attica, and Biscuit General Store, all of whom have retained the services of lawyer Ray Wagner. Wagners Law Firm announced Thursday.

Owner of Indochine Banh Mi Elizabeth Smith is seeking compensation for loss of revenue and of her second location on Barrington Street.

The restaurant closed in April 2016 as a direct result of the Nova Centre construction, a Wagner release said Thursday.

Wagner told Metro News in June that if the municipal, provincial and federal governments along with Argyle Developments Inc., its parent company Rank Inc., and the Halifax Convention Centre Corporation, were not open to negotiating, he'd be forced to seek compensation under the Expropriation Act of Nova Scotia. Wagner is estimating that the number each business would be seeking is in the hundreds of thousands worth of compensation. WITH FILES FROM ZANE WOODFORD/METRO

# New page in story of Viola Desmond

## HONOUR

## Halifax Transit unveils new ferry bearing her name

**Zane Woodford**  
Metro | Halifax

Wanda Robson could hardly contain her emotion when she first laid eyes on the new Halifax Transit ferry. "I hate to sound corny, but when I first saw her name on there, I cried," Robson said in an interview before Wednesday's official unveiling of the Viola Desmond.

Desmond — the woman known as Canada's Rosa Parks — was Robson's sister. She made history in 1946 when she was arrested and held in jail overnight for sitting in the whites-only section of a New Glasgow movie theatre.

"I didn't get the significance at that time," Robson said. "But I do now, and it makes me feel so proud that a sister of mine could go to such lengths to have justice."

During the unveiling, Robson — who is 89 years old and now living in North Sydney — had the crowd of about a hundred people in stitches with a lesser known story about Desmond, one about a somewhat sketchy car ride through downtown Halifax with Desmond at the



Bill Zebedee, who put Viola Desmond's name forward in the ferry-naming contest, talks to Wanda Robson before the ferry's unveiling Wednesday on the waterfront. ZANE WOODFORD/METRO

wheel, perched on two extra seat cushions.

"I've come to the conclusion that people thought it was a driverless car," Robson said. "They couldn't see her."

"It might be fitting that Viola's name is now on a ferry so people don't have to drive so much," joked Halifax Transit director Dave Reage.

Bill Zebedee, who put Desmond's name forward in Halifax Transit's naming contest, said it was "beyond words" to see it on the boat.

"I'm gonna really enjoy next Monday taking my first trip on

**“Isn't it wonderful to think that we had, in our midst, a person with that strength?”**

Wanda Robson

it," he said.

Desmond's name garnered 6,692 of the total 19,238 votes cast in that contest, beating out four others.

"Today we name this ferry

after a dynamic, brave, courageous, and successful entrepreneur who was the catalyst for tearing down written and unwritten policies of segregation, discrimination and racism in Canada," said former Nova Scotia Lt.-Gov. Mayann Francis.

Francis pardoned Desmond — who was convicted of tax evasion for the 1946 movie theatre incident — in 2010.

"It represented the unwavering recognition of her innocence and wrongful conviction all those years before, and righted a wrong that never should've happened," she said.

### CRIME NOTES

#### Bullet holes found in North Preston home

Police are investigating after shots were fired at a North Preston home Thursday morning. A woman reported hearing several gunshots at 4:30 a.m. outside her home on Cain Street, according to a Halifax Regional Police news release. She noticed two bullet holes in the walls of the house. Police say the holes were in the only part of the home with lights on. No one was injured, the news release said. A vehicle was heard leaving the area, but so far no eyewitnesses have come forward, police said.

METRO STAFF

#### Police warning about new telephone scam

Police are warning of a new scam involving callers claiming to be from Immigration Canada and Halifax Regional Police. In a press release, police said Thursday a 19-year-old woman said she got a call from someone claiming to be with Immigration Canada. The female caller told the woman a complaint had been filed against her and she would require legal representation costing hundreds of dollars. She later received a follow-up call from a man stating he was a police officer and advising her to send the funds. METRO STAFF



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## PAWS HERE INITIATIVE

## Quinpool shops welcome dogs

**Yvette d'Entremont**  
Metro | Halifax

More than 50 businesses and shops on Quinpool Road are going to the dogs.

The Quinpool Road Mainstreet District Association officially launched its new Paws Here on Quinpool campaign Thursday.

Designed to allow four-legged friends to accompany their people into numerous shops and services, the initiative includes 42 businesses that welcome dogs inside.

Another 15 accommodate dogs outside with water bowls and leash tethers.

"A big part of our thinking was just don't leave your dogs inside your car during these

hot summer months. This is a way to help highlight that message," said Karla Nicholson, Quinpool Road Association's executive director and a dog owner.

"Sometimes you may need to take your dog to the vet or somewhere else and then you need to do another errand afterwards. This is something that we feel will greatly help pet owners."

Businesses and shops on board for inside dog visits include banks, a pharmacy, hardware store, barbershop and hair salon, as well as law offices. Dogs will also be welcomed outside at spaces that include a video store, tattoo shop and restaurants.

"For the outside locations, we looked at where the dogs could be put and talked about

### WHO'S ON BOARD

A list of participating shops and services can be found online at [www.quinpoolroad.ca/pawshere](http://www.quinpoolroad.ca/pawshere).

the fact the owner needs to tie the dog outside so they feel secure about where the dog will be tied," Nicholson said.

Shops and services participating in the campaign will bear window decals indicating whether dogs are welcome inside or outside.

In addition to funding from the Quinpool Road Mainstreet District Association's membership levy, the initiative is sponsored by the Halifax Veterinary Hospital.



# Duo to set sail at Rio 2016

## SPORTS

### Pair look to compete for gold in newest Olympic event

**Ben Jamieson**  
For Metro | Halifax

Two Nova Scotians are setting sail for Rio de Janeiro to compete for gold in a brand new Olympic event.

Erin Rafuse, 27, and Danielle Boyd, 26, both of Halifax, are soon off to Rio to compete in the women's 49ER FX skiff event.

The pair, who has sailed together since January 2013, were treated to a send-off event with their teammates Thursday at the Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron.

The Rio Games are the first to include an event for the women's 49ER FX skiff, a small high performance dinghy that has both sailors hanging off the boat in their own trapeze. This new event has given both athletes



Erin Rafuse (left) and Danielle Boyd (right) will be representing Canada and Nova Scotia at Rio 2016 in the 49ER FX sailing division, a first for these Olympics. BEN JAMIESON/FOR METRO

an opportunity to go for Olympic gold.

"There wasn't a boat for me until these games, so I'm really happy that a skiff is in," Boyd, originally from Kingston, Ont., said at Thursday's send-off.

For Rafuse, Rio 2016 and the

new class of boat are extra special. She came close to competing at the 2012 Olympic Summer Games in London, missing out to teammate Danielle Dubé.

After the disappointment of London, she decided to switch from the Laser Radial class, which

she'd been competing in for most of her career, to the lighter skiff. She never lost hope for reaching the Olympics.

"Sport is what defines my life, so it was always on the horizon," she said.

The 2016 Olympic Summer

Games in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, present their own set of unique challenges, from fears of Zika virus to issues surrounding the water quality.

Yet Rafuse and Boyd say that the sailing course itself will cause its own set of difficulties.

"It's tricky to learn," said Rafuse. "There (are) lots of land masses and different kinds of currents that run through it; there's a lot of variability."

Luckily the two have already sailed the course and have the good fortune of veteran Paralympian and fellow Nova Scotian Paul Tingley as a teammate.

Tingley, who won gold at the 2008 Paralympics, just returned from Rio. He thinks the hazards will only make for more exciting racing.

"There's going to be garbage, there's going to be sewage, (and) these things can make you sick, so you have to be careful and use common sense," he said at Thursday's event.

Rafuse and Boyd will arrive in Rio on July 30, they told the crowd of well-wishers that they can't wait to get on the water and hear the sound of the starting gun.

## ROBBERY

### Police ask public to ID suspect

Police are calling on the public to help identify a man who robbed a Dartmouth bank Tuesday.

Halifax Regional Police said a man entered the East Coast Credit Union at 155 Ochterloney St. at around 10:50 a.m., gave the teller a note and indicated that he had a weapon. No weapon was seen by witnesses.

The suspect fled on foot with an undisclosed sum of money.

The suspect is described as being in his mid-20s to early 30s, about five-foot-ten with a thin build.

Police ask anyone with information to contact police by calling 902-490-5020. METRO



The suspect. CONTRIBUTED

## OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

### Officer will not be charged: report

**Yvette d'Entremont**  
Metro | Halifax

No charges will be laid against a Halifax Regional Police officer accused of wrongly deleting a civilian's cell phone video of an arrest.

On Thursday, the province's Serious Incident Response Team (SiRT) released a report following its investigation into the June 2015 incident.

The investigation was launched following a complaint made by the 17-year-old boy who was arrested.

According to a news release issued by SiRT, police were called to Dartmouth's Reigh Allen Centre on June 30, 2015 because the teen was in breach of court conditions and had caused damage to the centre.

When police arrived and attempted to arrest him, he resisted and a struggle ensued.

A second male youth recorded the incident through

a window and protested the actions of police.

After meeting with an officer in the presence of a staff person, the officer told the youth his phone would be seized as evidence if any relevant video was found on it.

The teenage boy showed the officer the video.

"The officer told SiRT that the video did not show the struggle to arrest the first male, but only began after the male was subdued. As a result he felt the video was not relevant," the news release states.

"It appeared the second male was concerned that his phone would be seized if the video remained on his phone.

"The facts show the male either agreed to delete the video on his own with assistance from the officer, or the officer deleted the video," according to the release.

Although the officer acknowledged he should have seized the phone with the video, SiRT found the facts supported the officer's statement.

## + DETAILS

To read a complete copy of the report released by Nova Scotia's Serious Incident Response Team (SiRT) detailing its investigation into the June 30, 2015 incident, please visit <http://sirt.novascotia.ca>.

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"I worked in the criminal justice system for 31 years... and a frontline officer's assessment of evidence doesn't always match up with a lawyer's assessment of evidence, so I can understand when he says 'I didn't think it was relevant,'" SiRT's independent civilian director Ron MacDonald said Thursday in an interview, adding he hopes something positive comes from the incident.

"Hopefully, others will learn from it." Halifax Regional Police spokeswoman Dianne Woodworth said they were unable to address the report.

"This matter is an ongoing investigation under the Police Act of Nova Scotia so we cannot speak to it specifically," she told Metro.

**"I can understand when he says 'I didn't think it was relevant.'"**  
Ron MacDonald

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# Pair sets out to fix festival faux pas

### WEEKEND EVENT

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With Gridlock, Jeremy MacNeil and Matt McIntyre set out to build a different kind of musical festival.

"I've personally had the experience of being at a festival and having a very limited product selection, like poorly cooked hotdogs and hamburgers and large corporate beer sponsors," MacNeil, co-founder of Gridlock Festival, said in a recent interview.

"We took what we heard from festivals that people did not like, and we tried to correct those."

The inaugural Gridlock Festival

hits Halifax this weekend, with music and comedy spilling over three days and nights in and around the Citadel High School grounds.

Along with performances from more than two dozen acts, the festival will feature local beers from Stillwell Bar and local eats from Ace Burger, T-Dogs and Food Wolf. And if you're not into beer, water will be free on the concert grounds "because it's morally a good thing to do."

"The end goal is to create a festival that's a really enjoyable three days for everyone that attends, and for ourselves," MacNeil said.

"We basically built the festival for ourselves and people with similar mindsets who love good music, good food, good beer, and in a backyard location close to our homes."

MacNeil said at least 10 of the acts he booked have never played in Halifax before, like American Football, and many more haven't been here for a

### + DETAILS

For the full line-up and tickets, check out [gridlockfestival.com](http://gridlockfestival.com).

long time, like Wolf Parade.

He said his personal connections and experience with promoting shows in Halifax, along with working with the Halifax Pop Explosion, helped him to book the kinds of acts he wanted to see in the city.

MacNeil got his start booking underage shows, and he's trying to give back to that community with two free underage shows as part of Gridlock, "doing anything we can to help bolster those numbers, just so we can kinda foster a new generation of 19 and 20-year-olds that like to see live music."

There are still spots open to RSVP for those shows, and weekend and day passes on sale for the 19+ part of the festival.

### CRIME

## Police investigating robbery and alleged bear spray attack

Police are investigating after a man was robbed in his Cole Harbour home and sprayed with a substance believed to be bear spray.

In a press release, Halifax Regional Police said that on Wednesday morning, a man entered a Bissett Road home

shortly after 7 a.m. and sprayed the victim with what is believed to be bear spray.

The suspect then took money, threatened to stab the victim, and fled on foot from the home.

The victim didn't see any weapon other than the spray.

The victim was treated at the scene by paramedics.

Police said this was not a random act and both men were known to each other. They are asking anyone with information about this incident to contact Halifax RCMP or Halifax Regional Police at 902-490-5020. METRO



# Former Halifax mayor comes under fire

## POLITICS

### Alberta town stands to lose \$200K thanks to Kelly: Report

Charlottetown's CAO left an Alberta town with an outstanding \$200,000 bill when he moved to P.E.I. this year, according to a newspaper report in Westlock

County, Alta.

Peter Kelly, however, says he did nothing wrong.

The municipal council in Westlock County has petitioned the Alberta government to conduct an organizational review of its operations.

Kelly told the Guardian on Wednesday he welcomes a review. "It is a strange and evolving situation," Kelly said.

The matter involves the cost to develop an eight-acre industrial

park lot for a developer known as Horizon North. The Westlock News reported Tuesday that an auditor says the county would never recoup the \$395,000 it spent to prepare the land.

That means based on market trends the county stands to lose more than \$200,000 on the deal, thanks to cost overruns.

Kelly served as CAO of Westlock County from September 2014 to February of this year before leaving to become CAO

for the City of Charlottetown.

The article says Kelly never brought the expenditure to council for approval, breaching the Municipal Government Act.

It's an accusation Kelly denies.

"I was involved in terms of bringing the issue to council at an in-camera meeting and, without getting into detail, council gave me the direction to move forward," Kelly told the Guardian.

THE CHARLOTTETOWN GUARDIAN/TC MEDIA



Charlottetown CAO Peter Kelly. METRO FILE

## HEALTH

### Student helps families with 'study of studies'

Ben Jamieson  
For Metro | Halifax

The IWK Health Centre is getting a jump start on creating accessible programs for parents of children with developmental delays and disruptive behaviour disorders, thanks to an international internship program.

Brazilian university student Lisandra Oliveira, 24, is trading in the sunny beaches of Brazil for a cramped, dark office at the Halifax children's hospital in order to create a new standard of accessible care. She is digging through more than 7,000 medical research papers to determine the best care practices, and most successful ways of reaching patients.

The results of Oliveira's work will be used to create programs in conjunction with the Strongest Families initiative to support families with children affected by cerebral palsy, fetal alcohol syndrome, Down syndrome and other developmental delays.

"A lot of families are not well treated, they don't have access to health services, so it's sometimes easier to get to them through

telephone or computer," Oliveira explained Thursday in her office.

Oliveira's involvement with the program gives the IWK the opportunity to expand into international fields. They are now starting the process of working with researchers in Brazil, and possibly looking at how the IWK's programs can help those impacted by the Zika virus.

"It doesn't do any good to be the best in Nova Scotia, but you have to be aiming to be the best in the world because it's an international competition," project supervisor Dr. Patrick McGrath said Thursday.

McGrath and Oliveira say that this "study of studies" is only the first step in a three- to four-year process toward reaching the final goal of an actual program ready for patients.

Oliveira is just one of 19 international students who are part of Mitacs Globalink's 12-week internship program. Other students in Nova Scotia are studying a variety of different subjects, including ways for plants to fend off disease and the correlation between sea spray and climate change.

## CRIME

### Third man charged in assault case

Police have arrested a third man in connection with an aggravated assault that occurred last week-end in downtown Halifax.

The July 2 incident occurred at 2:50 a.m. Halifax Regional Police responded to an assault call on Grafton Street near Prince Street. A 21-year-old Dartmouth man was located at the scene with serious facial injuries and was transported to hospital where his medical condition worsened.

Police received descriptions of the possible suspects and of the vehicle in which they fled.

Ky McKenna-Brown, 18, of Dartmouth and Bryce Anthony

Brooks, 19, have already been arrested and charged in relation to the assault.

A third man, Gregory Dylan Farrell, 20, of Dartmouth, was arrested Wednesday night without incident at about 6:30 p.m. at a business on the 100 block of Akerley Boulevard in Dartmouth.

Farrell is scheduled to appear in Halifax provincial court Thursday to face charges of aggravated assault and robbery.

The investigation into this matter is ongoing. Anyone with additional information about this incident is asked to come forward by calling 902-490-5016. METRO

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# Time to lose cliquishness and open arms to newbies

## CULTURE

### Brison calls on Atlantic Canada to shake off its 'CFA' attitudes

Glynn Williams remembers the wariness and distrust he faced 11 years ago when he started buying properties in a small, economically depressed town in eastern Nova Scotia.

"There were some vocal people ... who said, 'Who's this guy from Toronto, and who does he think he is buying up the town?'" said Williams, who spent 20 years running a Bay Street equity firm before bringing his entrepreneurial zeal to Guysborough, N.S.

They called him a CFA — a "come from away."

It's an enduring slight that — to some — speaks volumes about Atlantic Canada's apprehensive attitude toward newcomers and its legendary cliquishness.

Now, Nova Scotia's senior federal cabinet minister is on a mission to change that.

In recent weeks, Scott Brison has provoked debate by suggesting the phrase should be banned from the Atlantic Canadian vocabulary.

"It's in our collective interest, economically and socially, to not use terms that reflect a negative view of people who choose to make Atlantic Can-



Kings-Hants MP Scott Brison is calling for a new open approach. ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

ada their home," the Treasury Board President said from his home in Cheverie, N.S.

For Williams, local attitudes softened over the years as he invested more than \$20 million into the town under his Authentic Seacoast brand, establishing a high-end inn, café, pub, craft brewery, coffee business, golf course and distillery.

But he said his experience led him to conclude Atlantic Canadians must learn to embrace newcomers if they hope to offset the economic fallout caused by a rapidly aging population.

Brison said a change in attitude is required as part of a

**“There were quite a few folks who were either suspicious, hostile or indifferent.”** Glynn Williams

larger strategy that includes new immigration measures aimed at changing what he called "a terrifying demographic trend line."

Nova Scotia's population, for example, is expected to decline over the next 20 years as young people continue to leave the province to search for work. By 2036, the province expects to have 100,000 fewer working-age people than it did in 2010, says a report released in 2014.

Newfoundland and Labrador

has the oldest age profile of any province, and Nova Scotia is a close second, says the report, written by a panel led by Acadia University president Ray Ivany.

The report recommended that the number of immigrants admitted annually to Nova Scotia — about 2,300 — should be tripled.

"Nova Scotians appear to be very positive about newcomers from other parts of Canada but somewhat less welcoming to

immigrants," the report said. "There is a segment of the population that believes that immigrants take away jobs from other Nova Scotians."

Earlier this week, the Atlantic premiers announced details of a first-in-Canada pilot project designed to boost the region's flagging economy by ensuring newcomers don't join the steady stream of out-migration to other parts of the country.

When the plan was announced, Brison made a point of wagging his finger at those who still speak ill of CFAs.

"I have been told repeatedly by people who have moved to Atlantic Canada ... that it takes a while to fit in. We've got to do more to welcome people here."

Howard Ramos, a political sociologist at Dalhousie University in Halifax, said opinion polls suggest Maritimers are open to the idea of accepting more immigrants.

"But the one thing we haven't managed to grapple with is ... that, for newcomers, they haven't always felt that warm welcome," he said. "We have to realize that when we're a multicultural society, it's a give-and-take. It's not just a matter of everyone fitting in the same box."

The recent arrival of thousands of Syrian refugees in Atlantic Canada, which appeared to be handled with great efficiency, showed the region is eager to respond when outsiders need help, Ramos said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## LUNENBURG

### Plan for sewage clean-up

The Nova Scotia government has come up with a plan to stop 600 homes from dumping raw sewage into the LaHave River — but the cleanup won't happen without federal funding.

The cleanup has been championed by 12-year-old resident Stella Bowles, whose Facebook posts about her tests for fecal matter put pressure on local politicians to take action.

The announcement was made Thursday in Bridgewater when the province signed an agreement with the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg.

Under the agreement, once the municipality receives funding from Ottawa it will start identifying properties with so-called straight pipes, which are illegal under the province's Environment Act.

The municipality is then expected to educate homeowners about the polluting pipes, and then manage a program to replace them with septic systems by March 31, 2020. Residents will be expected to repay costs not covered by grants over a seven-year period.

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A Summerside, P.E.I., restaurant has created lobster ice cream, and its owner insists people are enjoying it.

"It seems to be going well," Alex Clark, owner of OpenEats, said Thursday. "The tourists certainly love lobster, and I imagine they leave here saying, 'Those crazy Islanders — they put lobster in everything!'"

The idea came after Clark and his chef wanted to develop a recipe for a local festival promoting lobsters. Clark says they had settled on another dish but changed gears at the last minute because "we didn't feel we were unique enough

or different enough," he said. "We want to make sure you're experiencing something different — so why not put lobster in ice cream, right?"

They came up with lobster ice cream one afternoon and made it the next day, admitting that he didn't know how the savoury-sweet dish would turn out.

When he tasted it for the first time, the 27-year-old Summerside native says he was struck by the prominence of the lobster flavour.

He said his chef poaches it in molasses butter to draw out the flavour of the lobster and then serves it on a homemade shortbread biscuit

with strawberries, toffee and crumbled potato chips on top.

"It was overwhelming how much you could taste the lobster," he said. "It has the full lobster meat in it as well. We made some yesterday and I saw a small claw sticking out the side of it!"

The dessert costs about \$11 a serving.

"We've had some very clean plates," he said, adding that a customer from Toronto debated whether he should have the dish after lunch the other day.

"Then he ate it, and I came back and the dish was wiped clean and he was nodding his head with a big smile."

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## POLITICS

## Electoral reform won't be easy: Election chief

The Liberals' proposal to overhaul Canada's electoral system just got more complicated.

Outgoing Chief Electoral Officer Marc Mayrand told MPs Thursday a new voting system may require a long and difficult process to redraw Canada's 338 electoral districts.

Mayrand said it's still possible, if the government moves quickly, to put in place a new system for 2019 — but it's not so simple as placing a new process over the existing ridings.

"Even looking at a streamlined process to simply aggregate the current ridings, you will have pockets where aggregation will not necessarily be the best way to go. You may find, among other things, a community of interest could be linguistic. Or you may suddenly, through aggregation, completely dilute a community of interest."

Part of the problem is that Elections Canada doesn't know what kind of system will be ultimately proposed.

The electoral reform committee is meeting throughout the summer to come up with a recommendation for Democratic Institutions Minister Maryam Monsef. The Liberal cabinet,

### + DETAILS

While the Liberals have not endorsed any system, the NDP is pushing for a form of proportional representation, which they argue would reflect the popular vote.

The Conservatives are generally thought to support the current first-past-the-post system, and say Canada's 149-year-old voting system shouldn't be substantially changed without a referendum.

Mayrand told MPs that Elections Canada estimates a referendum would cost around \$300 million.

however, will ultimately decide on legislation.

Mayrand, who is stepping down later this year, said many things are possible — but repeatedly noted the clock is ticking. Elections Canada has worked on a number of contingency plans, but requires a new system approved no later than May 2017.

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### IN BRIEF

#### 24 Sussex to get makeover

Rather than taking a giant wrecking ball to the prime minister's official residence, the National Capital Commission is making clear it wants to give the building a facelift. Debate over what to do about deficiencies at 24 Sussex Drive has been swirling since last October when it was announced that Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and his family would not be moving into the home.

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#### Stay clear of whale: Rescuer

A whale rescuer is urging boaters in Newfoundland to steer clear and call it in if they see a humpback dragging fishing gear. Wayne Ledwell says the whale was last reported Tuesday night off Bonavista Bay in Newfoundland pulling a fisherman's buoy. The orange balloon was about 100 metres behind the whale, which is believed to be dragging a long rope and other gear.

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Defence Minister Harjit Sajjan and two-year-old Sophia Popalayar during a visit to Parliament Hill on Thursday. CONTRIBUTED



# Toddler's political tantrum gets results

## PARLIAMENT

### Sophia's tearful demand to meet Harjit Sajjan was granted

A two-year-old girl's tearful plea on Canada Day has turned into a dream come true.

Sophia Popalayar got her wish Thursday, touring Parliament Hill with Defence Minister Harjit Sajjan and even sitting in the Speaker's chair in the House of Commons.

The visit was the result of a Twitter courtship over the last week between the toddler, who has a knack for recalling

the names of federal Liberal cabinet ministers, and Sajjan, a key minister in Justin Trudeau's cabinet.

On July 1, Popalayar's father, Fawad, filmed his daughter in the family car as she heartbreakingly asked to go to the Canada Day festivities on Parliament Hill, regardless of the rainy weather.

In the clip, Sophia said she wanted to see the defence minister. The only problem was that Sajjan happened to be celebrating in his home province of B.C.

A short while later, Sajjan posted his own video addressed to Sophia, promising that his staff would arrange a meeting upon his return.

"I'm looking forward to meeting you because one of my goals

I met my new friend Sophia today. When she grows up, she wants to be prime minister. I bet she will.

Defence Minister Harjit Sajjan

is to meet with future leaders of Canada," he said.

The minister met Sophia, who was accompanied by her parents, in the rotunda, just inside from the House of Commons' main entrance. Hunkering down to the young girl's eye-level the two talked about how the historic building would be just the place for a game of tag or hide and seek, said Sajjan's spokesman, Jordan Owens.

They toured the Senate, the Library of Parliament and the Commons, where Sophia sat in

the Speaker's chair.

"(The minister) asked her what she wanted to be when she grew up and she said 'Justin Trudeau,'" Owens said. "The minister told her that Justin Trudeau wants her to be prime minister."

Sajjan posted a picture on Twitter of the two of them walking hand in hand through Parliament Hill's Centre Block.

"I met my new friend Sophia today," Sajjan wrote. "When she grows up, she wants to be prime minister. I bet she will."

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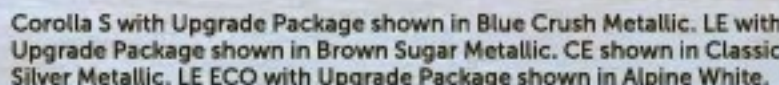
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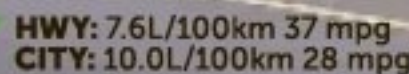


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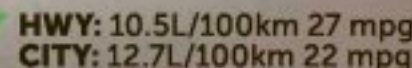


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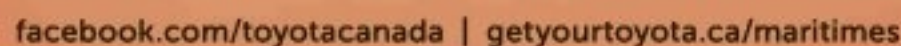
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# Shot 'for no apparent reason'

ST. PAUL

## Philando Castile just the latest black man killed by police

A woman who watched as a police officer fatally shot her boyfriend during a traffic stop streamed the gruesome aftermath of the slaying live on Facebook, telling a worldwide audience that her companion had been shot "for no apparent reason" while reaching for his wallet.

Within hours, the Minnesota governor was pressing for the Justice Department to open its second investigation of the week into the death of a black man at the hands of police.

The latest shooting happened late Wednesday in the St. Paul suburb of Falcon Heights, a community of 5,000 people that is also home to Minnesota's annual state fair and part of the massive University of Minnesota campus.

In the video, Diamond Reynolds describes being pulled over for a "busted tail light" and says her boyfriend had told the officer he was carrying a gun for which he was licensed.

As word of the shooting



**Diamond Reynolds, the girlfriend of Philando Castile, weeps during a press conference** at the Governor's Residence in St. Paul, Minn. on Thursday. Philando Castile was shot in a car Wednesday night by police in the St. Paul suburb of Falcon Heights. STAR TRIBUNE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

spread, relatives of the man joined scores of people who gathered at the scene and outside the hospital where he died. They identified him as Philando Castile of St. Paul, a well-liked 32-year-old cafeteria supervisor at a Montessori school.

Reynolds said Thursday that he was killed even though he complied with the officer's in-

structions. She told reporters that Castile did "nothing but what the police officer asked of us, which was to put your hands in the air and get your license and registration."

The governor stressed that not all facts are known but nonetheless called it a senseless death that was apparently fueled in some part by racism.

"Nobody should be shot and killed in Minnesota for a tail light being out of function," he said. "Would this have happened if those passengers would have been white? I don't think it would have."

Dayton said the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension had opened an investigation. The Justice Department

## REACTION

President Barack Obama called on law enforcement to root out bias in its ranks and said all Americans should be troubled by frequent police shootings of blacks and Hispanics, insisting that fatal incidents in Minnesota and Louisiana are not isolated. Obama said the shootings were symptoms of a "broader set of racial disparities."



President Obama

## STATEMENT

## Drake left 'scared' by killing

Drake has spoken out against the killing of Alton Sterling by police in Louisiana, saying it points to a larger problem.

The rapper posted on Instagram that he was "disheartened, emotional and truly scared" after hearing about the shooting.

The violence outside a Baton Rouge convenience store late Tuesday was captured in two amateur videos posted online, which quickly went



Drake

AFP/GETTY IMAGES

viral. One of the videos directly shows a tussle between officers and Sterling before he is shot in the chest.

The "Hotline Bling" singer, whose father is from Memphis, Tenn., says he considers the United States his second home. He says he felt the need to say something after hearing about the incident.

Sterling's killing and Drake's response came before another black American, Philando Castile, was fatally shot by police in Minnesota. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## U.S. ELECTION

## Mosquitos and Saddam: Trump's 'alarming' rant

We might as well start with the mosquito.

Donald Trump was speaking in Cincinnati on Wednesday night, trying to stay something critical about Democrats. But he kept getting distracted by a pest flying in his line of vision.

"I don't want mosquitos around me," he said, whacking on his podium. His voice rose to a shout: "I don't like mosquitos!" Then he growled, "I don't like those mosquitos, I never did." Then, he said, "Speaking of

mosquitos, hello Hillary."

It was one of the most bizarre sequences you'll ever see from a presidential nominee. And it wasn't even the strangest part of the night — which ended with the Republican angrily tweeting a photo of a book of stickers from the Disney film Frozen to mock accusations that he had made an anti-Semitic attack on Democratic nominee Hillary Clinton.

Trump has delivered dozens of unorthodox addresses in a successful campaign that has

thrilled millions of voters and laid waste to wisdom about how politicians must talk and behave. But his rant was you-gotta-see-it-to-believe-it odd.

"Objectively as alarming, in mental-balance terms, as anything we have seen from a major party candidate in modern history," wrote James Fallows, the Atlantic correspondent and former chief speech writer to President Jimmy Carter.

"A concerned family would be talking about taking car keys

away from Donald Trump not giving him nuclear codes," said Stuart Stevens, chief strategist to Mitt Romney's 2012 campaign and a staunch Trump critic.

"He is absolutely and certifiably insane," read a post on RedState, a popular conservative website.

The content of the 70-minute speech was bizarre enough. Gifted a fat political pinata to smash — the FBI's damning Tuesday rebuke of Clinton over her email scandal — Trump instead chased

after every mosquito-sized irritant: NBC host Chuck Todd, media coverage of a recent trip to Scotland, media coverage of his praise of Saddam Hussein, media coverage of his alleged anti-Semitism and so on.

How unhinged was he? Clinton urged her followers to watch.

"Newly discovered footage that could destroy Donald Trump's campaign if everyone saw it," she tweeted midspeech, sharing a link to the live video feed. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE



**Republican Presidential candidate Donald Trump** gave his most unhinged rant in Cincinnati, Ohio. GETTY IMAGES

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# Brides all tied up in knots

## CANADA POST DISPUTE

### Mail stoppage could trap invitations in the system

For some brides and grooms, the beautifully embossed invitation, carefully addressed by hand and delivered by mail, is a tradition worth preserving.

But now they are worried Canada Post's threat it will lock out 50,000 workers Monday — pushed back from an original deadline of Friday — could trap all those invitations and accompanying tiny RSVP envelopes in the post office.

Yvonne Post, 34, wanted to send out formal invitations because so many items that arrive in the mailbox are junk.

"It's always so nice when you get an invitation to something, especially celebrating a wedding," she said. "I guess it's old-school, but it was important to us."

So now Post and her fiancé Todd Rieck, 32, are looking at personally handing out their invitations for their September wedding, already addressed but not stamped.

"Luckily my shower is on Saturday, so I'm going to bring them to hand out in person," she said. "It's not ideal, but it's an opportunity where I can see everybody."

Her fiancé will probably deliver some at his bachelor party. Labour Minister MaryAnn Mihychuk has urged Canada

Post and its union to consider binding arbitration to reach a contract. Canada Post says it's willing, but the Canadian Union of Postal Workers, which represents 50,000 employees in two units, has flatly rejected it.

The union has filed a complaint of unfair labour practice to the Canada Industrial Relations Board, accusing Canada Post of failing to negotiate in good faith.

Fearing a disruption to mail

service, Rita Freitas, 33, and Anthony Pagliaroli, 32, printed up extra inserts for their wedding invitations, asking guests to respond via email.

Freitas said they still included the RSVP cards when the invitations were mailed, having paid for them, and a few people have mailed them back already. But because some of their guests live overseas, it's unclear whether the international invitations, sent last week, will get there before any stoppage.

Olivia Purchase, 29, and Kenny Mair, 31, who are also getting married in September, sent out their invitations in May, but gave their guests until late July to respond.



Olivia Purchase and Kenny Mair. CONTRIBUTED

Purchase had only received a few responses by last week when she learned about the potential postal shutdown. That sent her straight to her computer to post on Facebook, reminding guests to send back their responses as soon as possible.

The couple has since received a flood of cards as well as emails and text messages. They are still waiting for responses from more than 60 people, many of whom live in Jamaica or the United States, who would not be aware of the dispute at Canada Post.

Purchase said some of her friends have told her they are hanging on to the RSVP cards, waiting to deliver them in person, rather than risking the mail.

"Every day, I run to the mailbox to see how many are there going to be," she said.

"I don't want to miss somebody because the response is in limbo," she said.

"And if there's a disruption, I don't know if the responses would be just stuck in a warehouse somewhere."

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#585535	500	SPORT	\$27,420	\$17,823	\$129 <sup>BW</sup>	Rosso Brillante	Auto	Power Sunroof, Alpine premium audio, 16" alloys
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### THE FIRST FUNERAL

A 12,000-year-old archaeological site in modern-day Israel has revealed the remnants of an ancient, fabulous funeral. The dead woman, probably a shaman, was buried with dozens of tortoise shells, a leopard pelvis, an eagle's wing, a human foot, a boar's arm and the chewed-over remains of what was presumably a farewell feast.

### SOUND SMART



**DEFINITION**  
**Bioluminescence** is a phenomenon in which living things (think jellyfish, glow worms and fireflies) produce and emit visible light.

### USE IT IN A SENTENCE

Juanita's teeth are so blindingly bright that if I didn't know better, I would think she's capable of **bioluminescence**.

### PHILOSOPHER CAT by Jason Logan



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## WHAT IS JUPITER, ANYWAY?

**NASA calls it the 'biggest, baddest planet in the solar system.'** Gigantic, gaseous, magnetic, ultra-radioactive **Jupiter** — 300 times more massive than Earth — is unknown to us in so many ways. But thanks to the **Juno mission spacecraft**, which entered the mammoth planet's orbit July 4, that's about to change.

### VERY FAST FACTS

- NASA's Juno spacecraft is the fastest human-made object ever, with a peak speed of about **209,000 km/h**.



It's about **9 m** across at its widest point, including the solar panels that power its flight, and weighs **3,625 kg**.



- At its closest approach, it cruises **4,000 km** above Jupiter's clouds.
- Juno launched on **Aug. 5, 2011** and travelled **2,800,000,000 km** from Earth to arrive at Jupiter on **July 4, 2016**.
- Its electronic instruments are encased in a titanium box built to withstand the radiation equivalent of **100 million X-rays at once**.
- Total mission cost: **\$1.13B U.S.**

### HOW JUNO WORKS

As the spacecraft flies around Jupiter, its orbit will wobble and it will change speeds a bit as it passes over regions with slight variations in gravity. These wobbles can be detected by radio antenna on Earth. If the planet has a rocky core, Juno is expected to speed up a bit on its path between the pole and the equator. The radio signals heard on earth will be higher-pitched. This is called the **Doppler Effect**.

### THE (GAS) GIANT MYSTERY

Even if you could bear the cold (around -145 C at the surface), you couldn't walk on Jupiter. **It's made up of 99 per cent helium and hydrogen gas.**

What's the other one per cent? Nobody knows exactly, but Jupiter's insides are made of something very, very heavy. The outer core is thought to be **metallic hydrogen**: hydrogen gas under such tremendous pressure it starts to behave like a metal. The planet might also have an inner core: Maybe made of rock, maybe heavy metal, maybe something else. That's what Juno is trying to learn.

- Perfect orbit
- Orbit, messed up by Jupiter's gravity

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### CITIZEN SCIENTIST by Genna Buck

## Is this the biggest 'oopsie' in science history?

**What's this I hear about 20 years of brain research being ruined? — I.C., Toronto**

I wouldn't say ruined. But yes, neuroscience is in a "Oh. Crap. No way. Really?" moment.

Here's why: In that past 20-odd years, functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI) has become a really popular tool for brain studies. It records blood flow to different parts of the brain — an indirect measure of brain activity. That information is then supposed to be accurately

analyzed by statistical software. But that's not what has been happening, says a new study of the most common MRI-analysis computer programs.

The research, in the journal *PNAS*, involved dummy experiments with 499 healthy people — experiments that should, reasonably, turn up no results. But up to 70 per cent of the time, the software flagged at least one statistically significant result: A change to participants' brain activity. A change, that, in all likelihood, wasn't really there.

The false-positive rate should be no more than 5 per cent.

That means there could be serious, even fatal, flaws in as many as 40,000 studies that used fMRI technology from the 1990s to May 2015, when this tarantula-sized software bug was patched. Yeah. Oops.

fMRI is so cool. It lets us easily see into living brains, in real time, for the first time. And it gave rise to headlines like, "This part of your brain lights up when you \_\_\_ (eat chocolate, read poetry, see a picture of your mom, etc).

These (often small) studies make enticing stories. I admit I've gotten carried away with them.

So carried away, in fact, that I (and many others) discounted the importance of reproducibility. We should be cautious drawing grand conclusions from studies until other teams have been able to repeat the work. It's how scientists limit the impact of random errors and keep each other honest.

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## Let's crush it at the wedding, bro!

MIKE AND DAVE

### Zac Efron now carries bromance genre torch

Richard Crouse

For Metro Canada



I have a brother but he's not my bro, at least not by the contemporary definition.

My sibling and I are biologically brothers but neither of us fall into what the NPR Codeswitch blog described as the four rudimentary characteristics of "bro-iness"—jock-ish, dudely, stoner-ish and preppy.

There are as many ways to define bros and brahs as there are bros and brahs at your local frat house.

Oxford Dictionary writer Katherine Connor Martin sums it up simply as "a conventional guy's guy who spends a lot of time partying with other young men like himself."

The urban dictionary isn't quite as elegant, describing bros as "obnoxious partying males who are often seen at college parties... (standing) around holding a red plastic cup waiting for something exciting to happen so they can scream something that demonstrates how much they enjoy partying."

This weekend Zac Efron and Adam DeVine play brothers who are also bros in Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates.



Adam DeVine and Zac Efron are the bros of the hour in Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates, which opens this weekend. HANDOUT



#### MOVIE RATINGS by Richard Crouse

**The Secret Life of Pets** ★★★★★  
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 ★ SKIP IT

Based on the real-life exploits of Mike and Dave Stangle, the guys get out-broed

at their sister's Hawaiian wedding by broettes Tatiana and Alice (Aubrey Plaza and Anna

Kendrick).

In real life Mike, Dave, Tatiana and Alice are the kind of people it might be fun to hang out with before 10 o'clock at night, before the tequila shots and samplings from the mystery medicine cabinet have taken effect. After that, all bets are off.

Luckily in Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates, like so many bro movies before it,

the screen separates us and we can sit back and observe them like cultural anthropologists, as if we're studying animals in a zoo.

Hollywood has long had a bromance with bros.

Lately in movies like Neighbors and Dirty Grandpa, Efron has made a career of playing dim-witted frat boys but to find the proto bros you have to go back to 1940.

Starting with Road to Singapore, Bob Hope and Bing Crosby cocktailed and ad-libbed their way through seven Road movies playing two slightly skeezy men with boatloads of bravado and an unbreakable bond—at least until love interest Dorothy Lamour showed up.

National Lampoon's Animal House was the next landmark of bro-cinema.

From toga parties to food fights and doing The Worm on the dance floor, it's a politically incorrect classic that celebrates the best and worst of bro culture.

A 1996 movie gave us the bro with a million catchphrases like "Vegas, baby," "wingman," "beautiful babies" and "you're so money." As Trent in Swingers, Vince Vaughn gave a voice and bro-cinema to a generation of bros. Jon Favreau wrote the script but many of the sayings came directly from the lips of his best friends and co-stars Vaughn and Ron Livingston.

No look at bro-cinema would be complete without a nod toward Will Ferrell. The comedian has broed out on screen many times but Old School's Frank the Tank, a character who unravels after his wife leaves him, is King Bro.

When he's not doing beer bong hits ("Once it hits your lips, it's so good!") or streaking, he lets his freak flag fly as one of the most over-the-top bros ever seen on screen.

Dean Wormer's classic scolding from Animal House, "Fat, drunk and stupid is no way to go through life, son," doesn't seem to apply, at least to the genre of bro movies.



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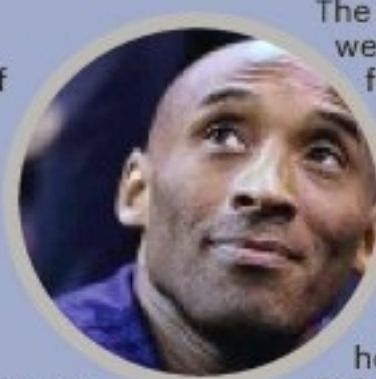
**Snoop gifts Kobe a car**  
Kobe Bryant has received a one-of-a-kind retirement gift from rapper Snoop Dogg: a Los Angeles Lakers-themed convertible.

Bryant retired from the Lakers in April after 20 seasons in L.A.

He posted a picture on Twitter of him and Snoop standing by the purple and gold car Wednesday. Snoop Dogg put up

some shots of the car on Instagram.

Its hood features pictures of Bryant alongside other Lakers greats like Magic Johnson, James Worthy and Kareem Abdul-Jabbar. But the biggest picture is one of Snoop himself, donning



a Lakers jersey. The rapper is a well-known Lakers fanatic.

He once showed off his personal Lakers-themed basketball court during a tour of his home on MTV Cribs.

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Actor Paul Dano and director Daniel Scheinert on the set of *Swiss Army Man*. JOYCE KIM/COURTESY A24

# Filmmaking done with body and soul

## SWISS ARMY MAN

**Movie's gross premise makes for engrossing experience**

**Richard Crouse**  
For Metro Canada



*Swiss Army Man*, the story of a marooned man and his dead buddy's journey back to civilization is a tale of friendship and what it means to be alive, — really and truly alive.

The easy thing would be to describe the new Daniel Radcliffe, Paul Dano two-hander as *Cast Away* meets *Weekend at Bernie's*, but that doesn't grab the poetic essence of what the film is trying to achieve.

"We make our movies for ourselves and we wanted to surprise ourselves into learning something and feeling something," says Dan Kwan, the film's co-director and co-writer.

Kwan is half of Daniels, his directing collective with partner Daniel Scheinert. The duo came up with the idea for *Swiss Army Man* after directing a series of innovative, internet-breaking music videos like DJ Snake and Lil' Jon's *Turn Down for What* (35 million views and counting).

"We've been working together since 2009 and kind of discovered this movie as much as we wrote it," says Scheinert. "We have very different film-

making processes but very similar tastes. As we work together certain stories started to reveal themselves.

"It's kind of autobiographical about the two of us. That's a joke answer but it is also kind of true. Certain jokes would make us both laugh. Somewhere in that stew of us becoming friends a movie about two guys becoming friends came out. The signature image of a man riding a corpse's farts across the ocean came out somewhere in there. The relationships with all the crew that made this movie also inspired the movie. We met our DP and our production designer and wrote a movie that played to their strengths."

pouring a lot of ourselves into it."

"Dan keeps saying this movie breeds a strange kind of empathy," adds Scheinert. "One of the goals was to tell the most unlikely love story. We knew *Farting Corpse* and Daniel Radcliffe would be viral. Cool, but if we can make you really care about that farting corpse, what a cool achievement. If we can do that, what can't you care about?"

"You can walk out of the theatre and it will be real hard for you to find someone you can't empathize with once you have just fallen in love with a farting corpse," Scheinert says.

Reviews have ranged from rapturous ("Hilarious, de-



**The overall meta joke was, let's make a farting corpse movie but let's make the most personal movie we can.**

Dan Kwan, co-director and co-writer

With a premise Monty Python might have rejected as too silly, *Swiss Army Man* uses the relationship between its characters to shed light on everything from stifled machismo and loyalty, to unrequited love and the need for compassion.

"The overall meta joke was, let's make a farting corpse movie but let's make the most personal movie we can," says Kwan. "If people are connecting to it they're connecting to us

ranged, and always alive with possibility.") to rotten ("ridiculously infantile") but the Daniels are unfazed by the reaction.

"Even some of the bad reviews were sweet and complimentary," says Scheinert. Mostly they just want people to see the film.

"I hope people go to a theatre and watch it with strangers because even if they hate it they'll have a really memorable experience."



# Yo-Yo Ma brings back the 'wonder' to adult life

MUSIC

## Cellist's Silk Road Ensemble mixes sounds, cultures

Richard Crouse  
For Metro Canada



Near the beginning of a new documentary called *The Music of Strangers: Yo-Yo Ma and the Silk Road Ensemble*, world famous cellist Yo-Yo Ma tells a joke.

A little boy says to his father, "When I grow up I want to be a musician."

"Sorry son," the father replies, "you can't do both."

It's a subject Ma knows something about. Performing since the age of five, by seven he had played for presidents Dwight D. Eisenhower and John F. Kennedy. Since then he has appeared with all the world's great orchestras, released 90 albums and won 18 Grammys.

"The idea of being a musician means that you have access

master musicians named after the ancient trade route between China and the Mediterranean. Featuring instruments from the Silk Road region, Ma mixes and matches his cello with the exotic sounds of the pipa, a Chinese short-necked plucked lute, a Mongolian horse head fiddle called a morin khuur and a Shakuhachi, a Japanese bamboo flute among others to produce an otherworldly sound that blends different cultures and styles.

"It's not so much what makes stuff different but more the fact that we work in such a connected world," says Ma. "Part of it is that, and part of it is to recognize the strength of individuality but also inherent in that strength is flexibility. It doesn't mean that because the bagpipe is louder than the violin we should never put the two together. It's more like, unlikely bedfellows, 'O my gosh, there could be something extraordinary that could come from that.'"

The movie, directed by Morgan Neville, who won an Oscar and a Grammy for his 2013 documentary *20 Feet from Stardom*, chronicles the evolution of the collective and the indi-

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**I'm drawn to what I don't know versus what I do know.**

Yo-Yo Ma



to wonder," he says. "When you become too adult-like and concerned about responsibility you tend to push wonder aside. That moment where you take a step back and look at where we are and look at what the world is about. Those are decisions we have to remake every single day — to engage, to love and care for and to recommit. It's a form of positive will and expression. If you don't have that you can't do anything. To me it is the ultimate antidote to paranoia, to hate, to terror is to care about things. To care about truth and be open."

The cellist's openness led him on a 20-year journey to form *The Silk Road Ensemble*, a loose collective of international

vidual journeys of the players. Wrapped around those portraits is the story of the group's most famous member. Ma is revealed to be a thoughtful man with a wandering, restless creative spirit.

"I was scared to death before doing something like this," he says. "I'm drawn to what I don't know versus what I do know. I think my life is kind of boring because if you ask me questions about myself you will very often get the same answers. I know the answers. What little I know I can tell you about but that is not particularly interesting. What I don't know is, for me, the source of all knowledge, everything you know is actually very little."



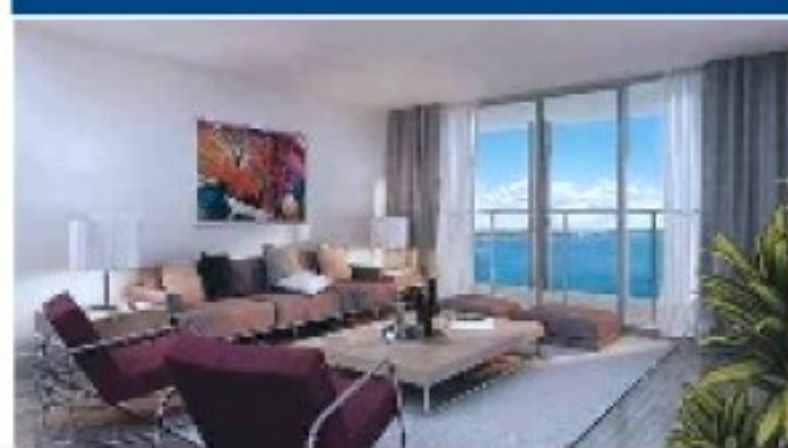
Kayhan Kalhor of Silk Road Ensemble and Aynur Doğan show off their skills in the new Yo-Yo Ma documentary *The Music of Strangers*. COURTESY OF PARTICIPANT MEDIA

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VAWN HIMMELSBACH/FOR METRO

### Stratford-upon-Avon?

**Then head to:** Stratford, Ont.

**Both are known for:** Shakespearean theatre scene

**Europe:** Picturesque Stratford-upon-Avon, set in England's Warwickshire countryside on the banks of the River Avon, is the birthplace of playwright William Shakespeare. Hundreds of years later, it retains this legacy with the Royal Shakespeare Theatre.

**Canada:** Stratford was named after Shakespeare's birthplace and it's become a well-known arts hub. From April to October, it hosts the annual Stratford Festival, celebrating Shakespearean classics and new works from Canadian playwrights. Plus, it's a pretty town with well-preserved 19th-century architecture, set alongside its very own Avon River.



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### Helsinki?

**Then head to:** Thunder Bay, Ont.

**Both are known for:** Rugged wilderness, midnight sun and saunas

**Europe:** Finland is a densely forested country, with long, dark winters and round-the-clock sunshine in summer — and an estimated 2 million saunas.

**Canada:** Like Helsinki, Thunder Bay is surrounded by rugged wilderness — it's one of the reasons why Finns started settling here in the 1870s. It's now considered one of the largest settlements of Finns outside of Finland, where you'll find a Finn Festival. Head to the Hoito, a legendary Finnish restaurant for Finnish pancakes.



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### Paris?

**Then head to:** Quebec City

**Both are known for:** French culture

**Europe:** Paris is a cultural mecca, known for its art, fashion and cuisine. It's also home to cultural icons such as the Eiffel Tower, Louvre and Notre Dame Cathedral.

**Canada:** Language isn't the only similarity between these two cities. Quebec City has more than 400 years of history, earning it a place on UNESCO's world heritage list. Wander the narrow cobblestone streets lined with cafes, bistros and shops, with the smell of crepes wafting through the air, and you'll be transported to the Left Bank. Quebec City even has its own Seine (the St. Lawrence River) and Notre Dame Basilica.

### Budapest?

**Then head to:** The Canadian Rockies

**Both are known for:** Natural therapeutic waters

**Europe:** Budapest is often referred to as "the city of baths," with more than 120 hot springs and a rich spa heritage dating back to Roman times. One of its most renowned public bathhouses is Széchenyi Baths, set in a palatial complex with thermal sitting pools.

**Canada:** The Canadian Rockies don't look much like Pest, but they're brimming with thermal hot springs and spa culture. Take to the waters at Banff Upper Hot Springs, where you can soak in soothing mineral water against a backdrop of alpine scenery. Miette Hot Springs, in Alberta's Jasper National Park, features the hottest mineral springs in the Rockies, ideal after a day of hiking. And Radium Hot Springs in B.C.'s Kootenay National Park offers expansive hot springs.



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### Scotland?

**Then head to:** The Okanagan

**Both are known for:** lake monsters

**Europe:** Loch Ness is a large, deep loch in the Scottish Highlands — so deep, in fact, that its resident lake monster, Nessie, has managed to elude tourists and locals alike for decades.

**Canada:** While the Okanagan is more desert than highlands, it has its own lake monster. Even if you don't have any luck spotting the multi-humped Ogopogo, Lake Okanagan is a summer paradise.



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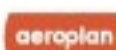
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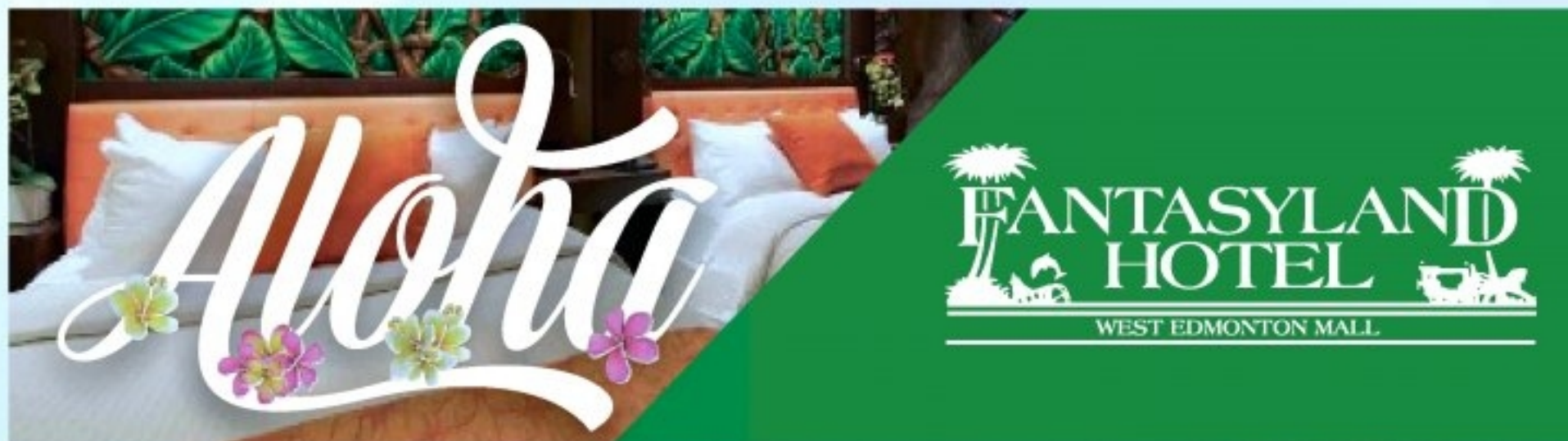
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# Griez-y does it

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## France forward helps hosts set up final against Portugal

Antoine Griezmann scored twice as France beat world champion Germany 2-0 on Thursday to line up a European Championship final against Portugal.

Griezmann put France in front from the penalty spot in stoppage time at the end of the first half and then took full advantage of a German defensive blunder to score his second with a calm finish in the 72nd minute.

France reached its first final for a decade and is chasing its first major trophy since Euro 2000. Germany missed its chance to add the European title to the World Cup it won in 2014.

Griezmann has now scored six goals at Euro 2016 — twice as many as any other player at the tournament — and could have completed a hat trick on a break in the 86th but shot straight at goalkeeper Manuel Neuer.

"We're very happy," Griezmann said. "We have to keep our feet on the ground. We still have a match to go."

Germany had gone 50 years unbeaten against host nations at major tournaments, dating back to its loss to England in the 1966 World Cup final and encompass-



France forward Antoine Griezmann scores past Germany goalkeeper Manuel Neuer and midfielder Bastian Schweinsteiger in Marseille on Thursday. BERTRAND LANGLOIS/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

### THURSDAY In Marseille



ing a famous 7-1 humbling of Brazil in the 2014 World Cup semifinals.

While a repeat of the Brazil rout was never on the cards, Germany could have scored more

than once as it dominated the first half. But it was denied by poor shooting from Thomas Mueller, who ended his tournament scoreless, and a save by Hugo Lloris to block Emre Can's bouncing shot.

France took the lead from the penalty spot after Bastian Schweinsteiger handled the ball in an aerial challenge with Patrice Evra.

Griezmann stepped up to score, striking the penalty hard to Neuer's right.

"I really wanted to take a penalty in a big match like that. I was very composed, I didn't think twice," Griezmann said.

Trailing in a match for the first time in the tournament, Germany could not recover its previous dominance after half-time. It then had to cope with losing key defender Boateng, who picked up an ankle injury after an hour.

The German defence had not conceded from open play all tournament, but it fell apart for Griezmann's second goal in the 72nd minute. A sluggish pass by Benedikt Hoewedes to right back Joshua Kimmich was cut out by Paul Pogba and Neuer could only palm away the midfielder's cross to Griezmann, who finished with ease. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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The Stanley Cup will be coming out next Saturday rain or shine, Halifax Regional Municipality announced Thursday.

The city released details of the Cup celebration featuring hometown boy Sidney Crosby, after word that the hockey hero and his sparkling trophy will be coming back to Cole Harbour on July 16 spread across social media like wildfire Wednesday night.

Crosby, 28, captained the Pittsburgh Penguins to his second Stanley Cup win last month, seven years after claiming the sport's most-coveted trophy for the first time.

The municipality confirmed Thursday that the victory pa-

rade will start at 10:30 a.m. next Saturday from Pope John XXIII Church at 35 Colby Dr., and will continue north on Cumberland Drive, across Cole Harbour Road, onto Forest Hills Parkway, and will then turn into Cole Harbour Place, where a special event will then be held.

Spectators can line both sides of Cumberland Drive and Forest Hills Parkway to take in the parade, an HRM news release said.

Halifax Transit is offering free bus shuttles from Penhorn and Mic Mac terminals to Cole Harbour Place.

### IN BRIEF

#### Venus falls short of all-Williams Wimbledon final

Venus Williams' deepest Grand Slam run in a half-dozen years ended one victory short of what would have been yet another Wimbledon title match against her sister Serena.

Venus was broken in her first four service games Thursday and lost to No. 4-seeded Angelique Kerber 6-4, 6-4. Earlier, Serena needed all of 48 minutes to overwhelm Elena Vesnina 6-2, 6-0. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

#### Jones denies using PEDs

Jon Jones has denied using any performance-enhancing substances after a positive drug test knocked him out of the main event at Saturday's UFC 200.

The UFC interim light heavyweight champion broke into tears at a news conference Thursday, a day after his rematch with Daniel Cormier was cancelled.

"I would never take anything that would enhance my game," Jones said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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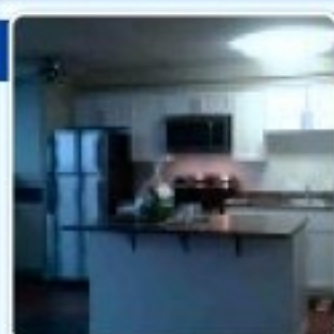


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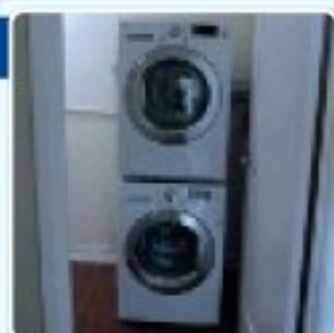
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- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- butter for pan
- 2 eggs
- salt and pepper
- 4 slices bread
- 1/4 cup shaved Monterey jack cheese

## Directions

**1.** In a small bowl, mix avocado until smooth. Stir in the lemon juice and pieces of basil. Set aside. Toast four slices of bread in a toaster oven or toaster. Remove and let cool.

**2.** Spread two slices with avocado mixture. Set aside.

**3.** Warm a skillet over medium heat. Add 1 to 2 teaspoons of butter and melt. Crack the eggs into the pan and season with salt and pepper. Cook until whites are nearly set then gently flip eggs. Allow to cook another minute and then remove from pan, placing one on each slice of bread without avocado spread.

**4.** Sprinkle the warm egg with cheese. Top with the slice of bread that has the avocado spread. Cut and serve warm and runny.

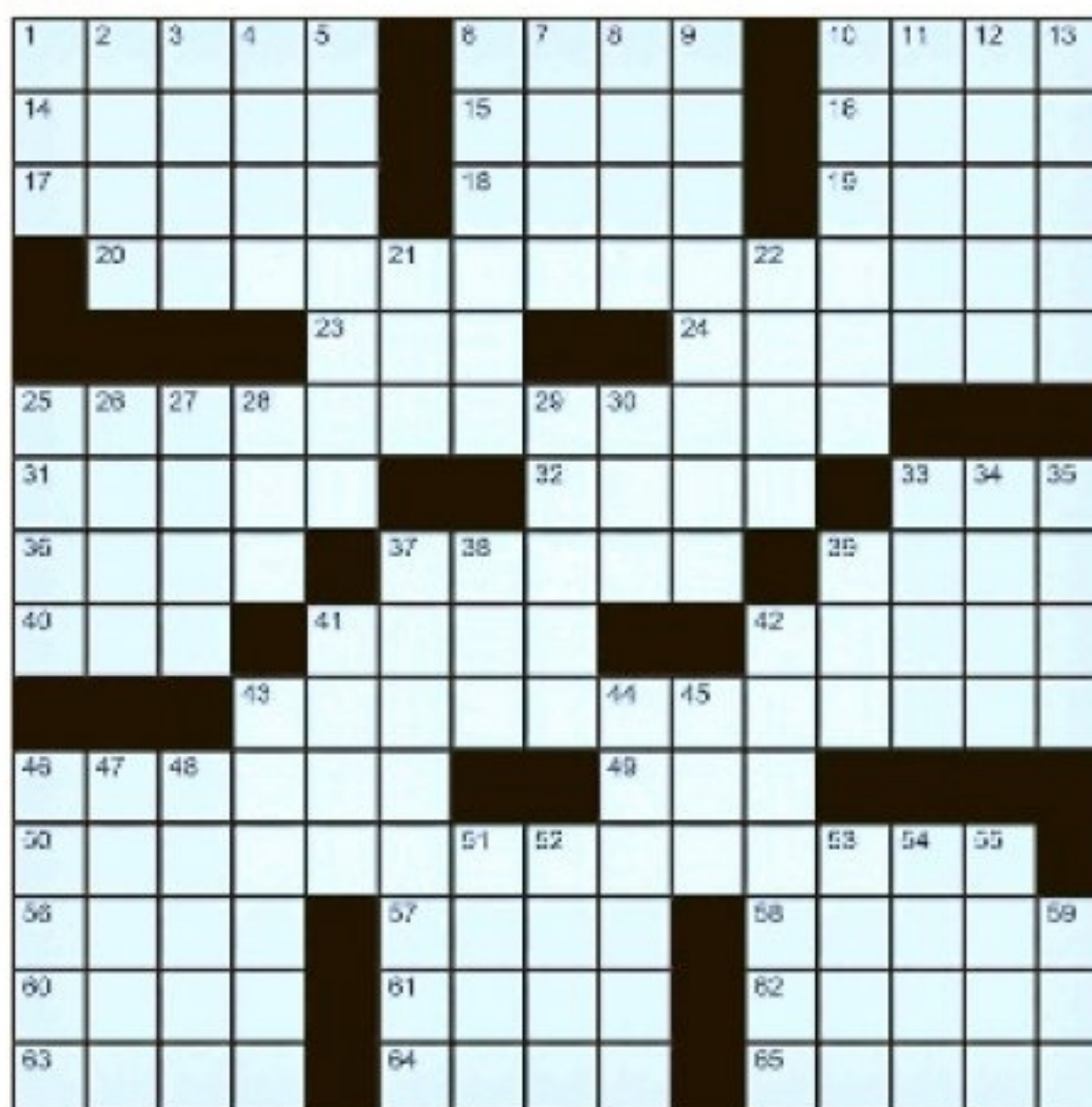
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- Some chor-al voices
- \_\_\_-spa (Day-of-beauty destination)
- First word in a pageant winner's title
- Comb's one-of-some
- Shakespeare's river
- British comic actor Eric
- Donny's showbiz sidekick/sister
- Loaned
- Horserider's strap
- Bacteria and fungi
- Triumph
- Style of beard
- The Mosasaur, a prehistoric marine reptile, is Manitoba's official what?: 2 wds.
- Altercation
- Sacred bird in ancient Egypt
- 1984 Cyndi Lauper hit: "\_\_\_ Bop"
- Mr. Stonestreet of "Modern Family"
- Baccarat call
- Out
- Abbr. with the date on a been-around-a-long-time company's sign
- "Remember (Walking in the \_\_\_)" by The Shangri-Las
- Dish
- PEI's provincial flower: 2 wds.
- The \_\_\_ (Famous street in London, England)
- Criticize



- In the Meat Loaf tune "...there ain't no Coupe de Ville hiding at the bottom..." of a what?: 3 wds.
- Pig's utterance
- Barbarian
- High wave
- Libertine
- Pedicure focus

- Rob
- Spot
- \_\_\_ Terrier (Scottish dog breed)
- "\_\_\_ seen his face before..." - The Beatles, "A Day in the Life"

## DOWN

- Lil' money dispenser
- Garden centre purchase
- "Nobody Love" singer Ms. Kelly
- "Hypn" suffix
- Big name in paint, \_\_\_Williams
- "Cheers" bartender Sam
- At all?
- Ding-\_\_\_!
- Etched plate printing process
- Sister of Moses
- That is, in Latin: 2 wds.
- Green goo

- Brains
- Midnight \_\_\_ (Australian band)
- Denials/rejections, sometimes
- Complimentary
- Belonging to us
- Annoyed mood
- As written
- Intellects
- Telly-watcher's network
- Give and take
- Really, really don't like
- Observer
- Unrepaid loans: 2 wds.
- "\_\_\_ Day Now": 1962 Chuck Jackson hit
- Austrian peak
- What the Titanic famously did alas
- Most rosy
- Flunky
- Slimly spread
- \_\_\_-Megan-tic, Quebec
- Project for Francis Lai or John Williams
- Peter, Paul and Mary ...and others
- Accumulated, as a restaurant tab: 2 wds.
- Chess piece
- \_\_\_ Potter, played by Katie Holmes on "Dawson's Creek"
- Tub
- Arch type
- Medical lab picture
- Antiquity

# IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

**Aries** March 21 - April 20  
This is a wonderful day to tackle home repairs or have important family discussions; on the whole, people are upbeat and positive. Nevertheless, a brief encounter with your boss might be another matter.

**Taurus** April 21 - May 21  
Today you feel optimistic and hopeful for your future. This is good. Admittedly, responsibilities with children might be challenging.

**Gemini** May 22 - June 21  
This is an excellent day for business and commerce. Look for ways to boost your income, because they exist. Meanwhile, be patient with Mom or an older female relative.

**Cancer** June 22 - July 23  
Today you seem to be larger than life, which is why it's a good day to make overall plans for the future. Your mind is clear, sharp and ready for big ideas!

**Leo** July 24 - Aug. 23  
This is an excellent day to do behind-the-scenes research, because you are in the right frame of mind. You believe you will find what you're looking for, which is why you will probably will!

**Virgo** Aug. 24 - Sept. 23  
Group discussions and talks with clubs and associations will be positive today. Your enthusiasm will persuade others to endorse your ideas.

**Libra** Sept. 24 - Oct. 23  
This is a strong day to talk to bosses, parents and authority figures. Don't listen to nagging second doubts that you privately might have. Just do it.

**Scorpio** Oct. 24 - Nov. 22  
This is a great day to study something new. It's also a good day to make plans for publishing, the media, medicine and the law. Travel plans will be ambitious!

**Sagittarius** Nov. 23 - Dec. 21  
Sit down with someone today to discuss shared property, inheritances, taxes and debt, because you will make strides in these areas. Everyone wants a win/win solution.

**Capricorn** Dec. 22 - Jan. 20  
Relations with others are excellent today. People are interested in new information, because they are impressed with the power of positive thinking.

**Aquarius** Jan. 21 - Feb. 19  
You will accomplish a lot at work today, because you are in a positive frame of mind. Briefly, you might be discouraged about budget restraints or shared equipment.

**Pisces** Feb. 20 - March 20  
This is a wonderful day for social occasions, the arts, sports events and playful times with children. Be patient with a partner, because a few glitches might arise.

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